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SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT CARTER TO PRESIDENT
SENGHOR

REF: STATE 12787

1. PLEASE RELAY THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT
CARTER TO PRESIDENT SENHOR.
2. QUOTE. DEAR MR. PRESIDENT: IN MY RESPONSE, WHILE
PRESIDENT-ELECT, TO YOUR MESSAGES OF DECEMBER 8 AND
DECEMBER 30, I CONVEYED MY APPRECIATION AND THANKS FOR
YOUR INITIATIVE IN COMMUNICATING WITH ME CONCERNING THE
US ROLE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA AND THE SENSITIVE ISSUES OF
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THE MIDDLE EAST PEACE EFFORTS.

3. NOW THAT I FORMALLY HAVE ASSUMED MY DUTIES AS PRESIDENT
OF THE UNITED STATES I WANT TO ASSURE YOU OF THE UNITED
STATES' GREAT INTEREST IN THE FUTURE OF AFRICA AND MY
DEDICATION TO DOING WHAT WE CAN TO ASSIST IN THE EFFORT
TO PROMOTE PEACE AND PROGRESS FOR ALL PEOPLE OF THE

CONTINENT.

4. AS A MATTER OF IMMEDIATE ATTENTION, I WANT TO ASSURE YOU THAT THE UNITED STATES REMAINS DEEPLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE SITUATION IN SOUTHERN AFRICA. WE ARE FULLY COMMITTED TO CONTINUE THE SEARCH FOR PEACEFUL SOLUTIONS TO THE PROBLEMS OF RHODESIA AND NAMIBIA. MY ADMINISTRATION WILL CARRY ON THE EFFORTS ALREADY BEGUN TO BRING ABOUT PEACE AND JUSTICE IN THE REGION. IN THE FUTURE WE WILL USE OUR INFLUENCE AND GOOD OFFICES WHEREVER THEY MAY BE BEST APPLIED TO ACCOMPLISH THIS GOAL.

5. THE UNITED STATES DOES NOT ASSUME THAT THE SEARCH FOR PEACE IN SOUTHERN AFRICA WILL BE AN EASY ONE. DESPITE THESE DIFFICULTIES, WE BELIEVE THAT IT IS IMPORTANT TO GIVE DIPLOMACY EVERY CHANCE TO WORK.

6. I HAVE ASKED SECRETARY OF STATE CYRUS VANCE TO BE IN TOUCH WITH YOU SEPARATELY TO CONSULT ON FUTURE STEPS WE MIGHT TAKE, AND WAYS IN WHICH WE CAN WORK TOGETHER TO ACHIEVE SOLUTIONS FOR SOUTHERN AFRICA'S DIFFICULT PROBLEMS. SINCERELY, JIMMY CARTER. END QUOTE
VANCE

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